Westmont Stormwater Study Draft Findings Report

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Purpose of the Meeting

- Present some preliminary results of the study to the Village Board and the public
- Present summary of the resident questionnaires
- Describe areas of flooding and possible causes of flooding
- General discussion of proposed solutions

Analysis of Flooding

Recent Flooding

- September 13-14, 2008 6.06"
 - Average September rainfall = 3.3 inches
 - Total September 2008 rainfall = 9.88"
- 100-year 24-hour rainfall depth = 7.58 inches

Flooding Analysis

- September 2008 flooding caused by excessive rainfall
- Above average yearly rainfalls in 2006-2008 have led to high groundwater elevations
- New Construction/Subdivisions built over last several decades
- Met regulations and stormwater requirements at time of construction

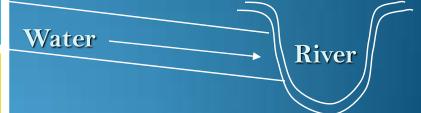
Commonly Misunderstood Facts About Flooding

- Digging ponds deeper will help solve problem
- Flood-proofing impacts downstream properties
- Send the problem downstream
- Someone is opening/closing a valve or gate
- Stop the standing water in the street
- The solution is to add more inlets
- Breaking watersheds
- Influence of areas not hydraulically connected
- Other local, state and federal agencies have money to take care of problem

"Deeper" Ponds

Existing Pond

"Additional Storage" by going deeper



Tools Used

- Site Visits by CBBEL Staff
- High water marks reported by residents and Village Staff
- Village of Westmont sewer atlas
- Village of Westmont GIS mapping information
- DuPage County 2-ft topographic mapping
- Village of Westmont Flood Questionnaires
- Regional Watershed Meetings

Questionnaire Summary

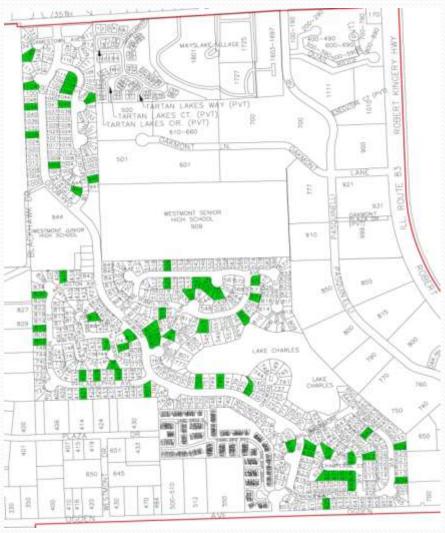
Overall Questionnaire Summary

- Total Number of respondents 142 total
- No flooding 2
- Overland Flooding 114
- Yard 104
- Seepage 26
- Sump Backup 20
- Sanitary Sewer Backup 21

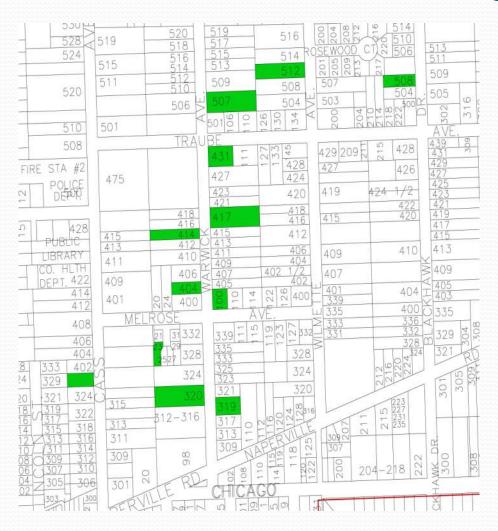
Overall Overland Damage



Oakwood Overland Damage



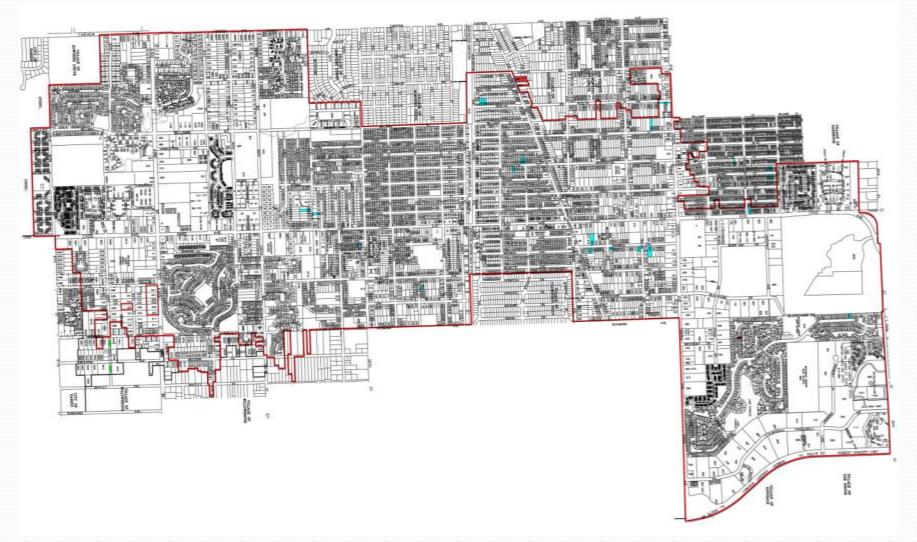
Warwick Overland Damage



Overall Yard Flooding



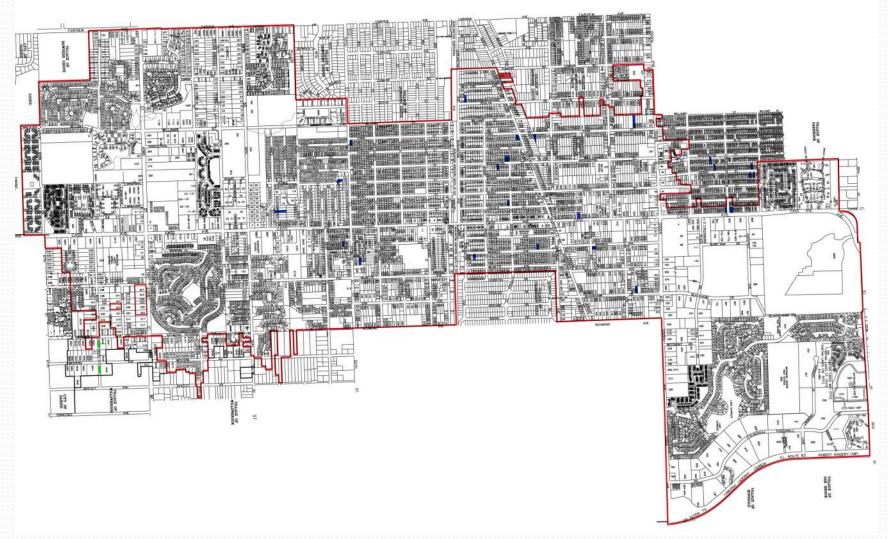
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Overall Sump Backup



Overall Sanitary Sewer Backup



Questionnaire Summary (Cont.)

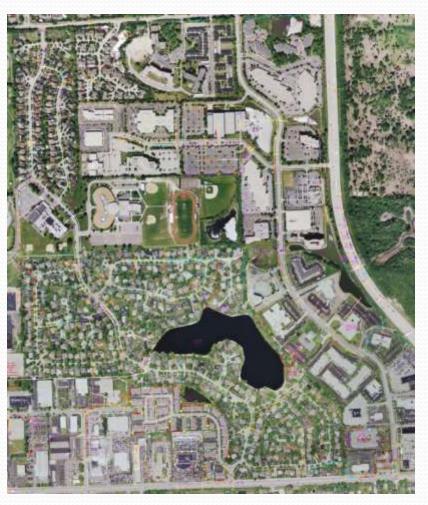
- Problem Clusters Identified
 - Salt Creek Drainage Basin
 - Oakwood Subdivision
 - 300 and 400 Block of Warwick Ave
 - N. Branch St. Joseph Creek
 - 3900-4000 N Adams and Washington
 - o-100 N Roslyn

Questionnaire Summary (Cont.)

- Problem Clusters Identified
 - St. Joseph Creek
 - Doe Circle
 - 300 S Park
 - Flagg Creek
 - 200 N Warwick
 - 300 S Warwick
 - 200 E Dallas
 - W 56th Pl

Existing Conditions

Oakwood Subdivision



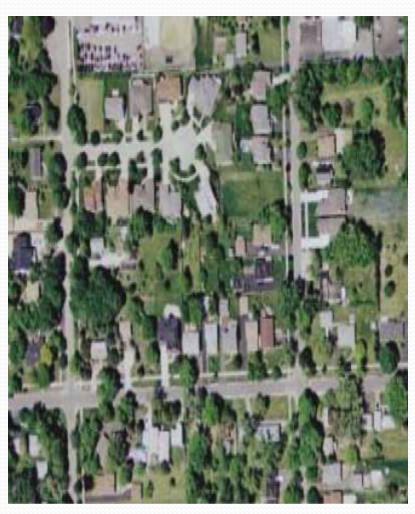
- Largest number of responses (over 62 in total)
- Majority of the complaints are standing water in either the front or rear yard areas
- No complaints of actual overbank flooding

300-400 Warwick



- Concern about the new construction
- Drainage of 300 Warwick travels in 2 directions
- Area is a bowl with the only outlet being a storm sewer

Rosewood Ct./Blackhawk Drive



Detention basin overflow

3900 and 4000 Block Washington, Adams and Cass



- Depressional areas with no natural outlet
- Storm sewer system is easily overwhelmed
- Detention ponds are undersized relative to the tributary area

O-100 Roslyn



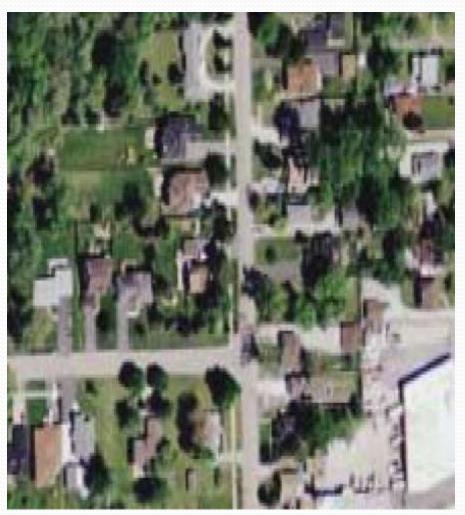
- Smaller depressional area
- Storm sewers undersized

Cumnor and Burlington



- Depressional area
- Potential storage site
- Downers Grove participation

Grant and Chicago



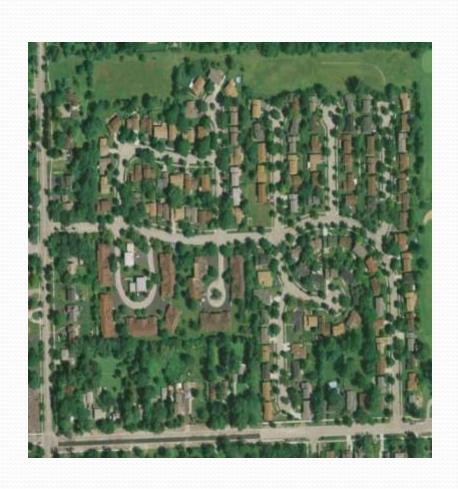
- Depressional area
- Storm sewer capacity issue
- Drains to downstream problem area (Washington/Chicago)

Washington and Chicago



- Depressional area
- Storm sewer capacity issue

Deer Creek Subdivision



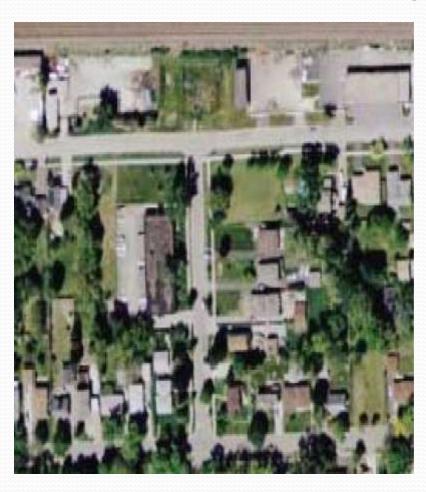
- Poorly defined overland flow paths
- Overflow into adjacent community

Park and 55th



- Storm sewer surcharge/capacity issue
- Storm sewer is under DuPage County Division of Transportation jurisdiction

Oak and Quincy



- Depressional area
- Drainage restricted by railroad embankment

200 E Dallas and Richmond/Richmond



- Poorly defined overflow areas
- Storm sewer surcharge during larger events
- Regional basin overflow

60th and Fairview



- Overbank overflow from an unnamed tributary to St. Joseph Creek
- Poor overland flow routes

Richmond and Grant



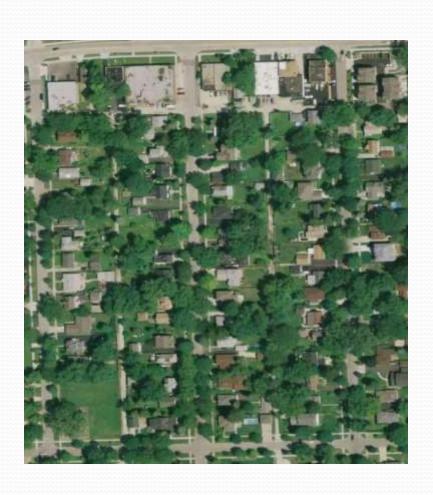
- Depressional area with no natural outlet
- Storm sewer capacity
- High ground water table

Washington and Norfolk



- Sanitary Sewer backups from street ponding
- Storm sewer capacity issue

200 N Warwick



- Storm sewer capacity issue
- Relatively large tributary area

300 S Warwick



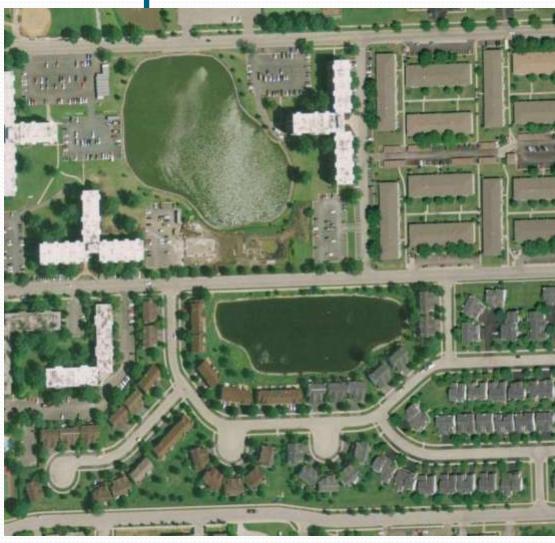
Rear Yard Drainage Problems

W 56th PI



Rear yard drainage issue

Hampton Ave



Groundwater Problem

Proposed Solutions

Considerations For Improvements

- Retrofits must be permittable under the DuPage County Countywide Stormwater and Floodplain Ordinance
- Must be compliant with State and Federal regulations
- Flood-proofing of residential structures
- Alternatives involving existing stormwater facilities and publicly owned property
- May require construction on private property

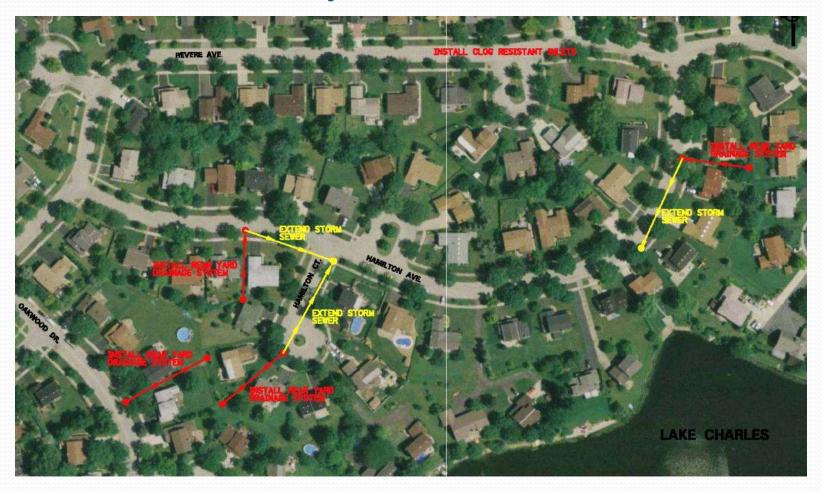
Types of Projects

- Flood-proofing of existing residential structures
- Upsizing or modification of existing sewers
- Re-establishment of overland flow routes
- Installation of rear year inlets
- Create floodwater storage
- Combination of the above

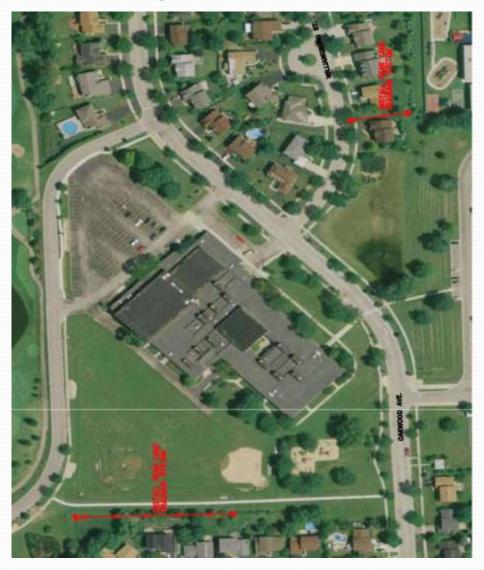
- Add rear year storm sewer
- Extend public sewers (Where needed)
- Install backflow preventers in some locations
- Re-grade overflow swales















300-400 Warwick Improvements



- Install storm sewer along 300 Warwick and Melrose Ave
- Construct detention storage basin on 400 block of Warwick
- 2nd Alternative would be residential floodproofing

Rosewood Ct./Blackhawk Drive



 Clean/Repair detention pond outlet

3900 and 4000 Block Washington, Adams and Cass



- Enlarge existing detention basins/Create additional storage
- 2nd Alternative –
 Residential floodproofing

O-100 Roslyn



- Install backflow preventer
- Drain sewer to basin at Cumnor/Burlington
- Re-establish overflow route near 15 and 19 Roslyn

Cumnor and Burlington



ConstructDetention Basin

Grant and Chicago



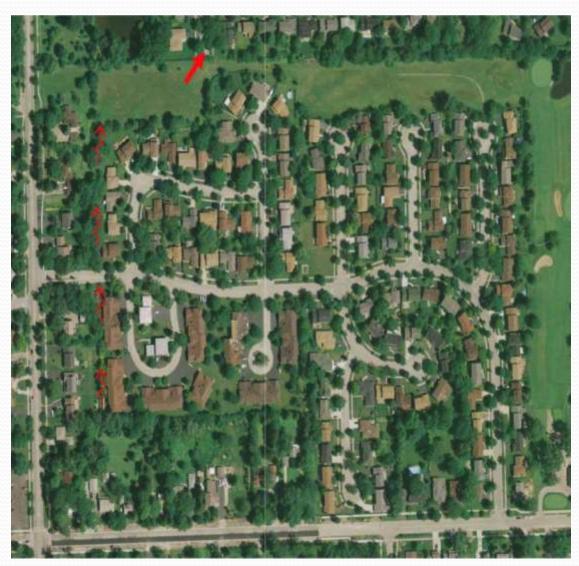
Residential Floodproofing

Washington and Chicago



Residential floodproofing

Deer Creek Subdivision



- Re-establish overland flow paths
- Move overflow to line up with street R.O.W. (Coordinate with Village of Downers Grove)

Park and 55th



- Residential floodproofing
- Add to DuPage County buyout list

Oak and Quincy



Construct detention basin

200 E Dallas and Richmond



- Rebuild berm along north side of basin
- Install dewatering valve
- Residential floodproofing upstream

60th and Fairview



 Re-establish overland flow routes

Richmond and Grant



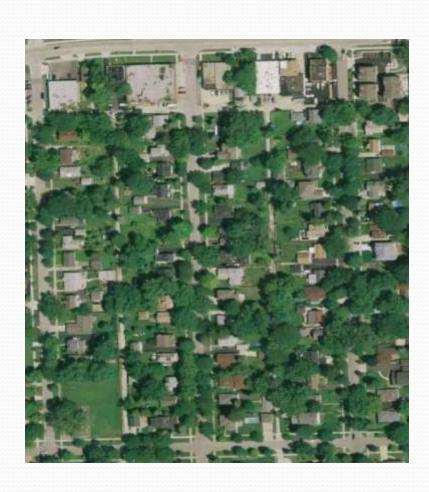
- Install backflow preventer on 24" storm sewer
- Install under drain system along R.O.W. of Richmond

Washington and Norfolk



- Televise existing sewers
- Repair/replace sewers as needed

200 N Warwick



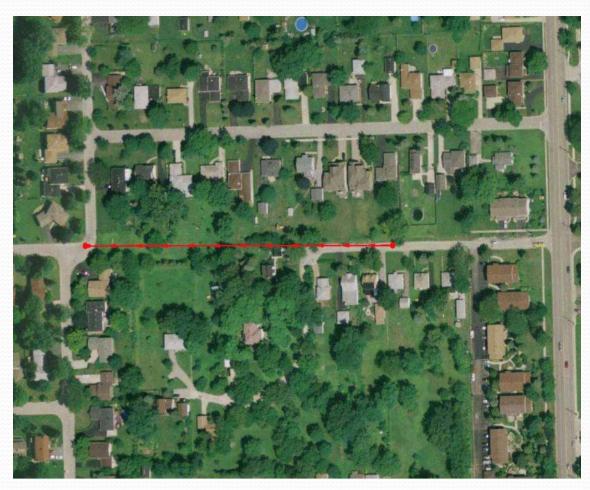
Residential floodproofing

300 S Warwick

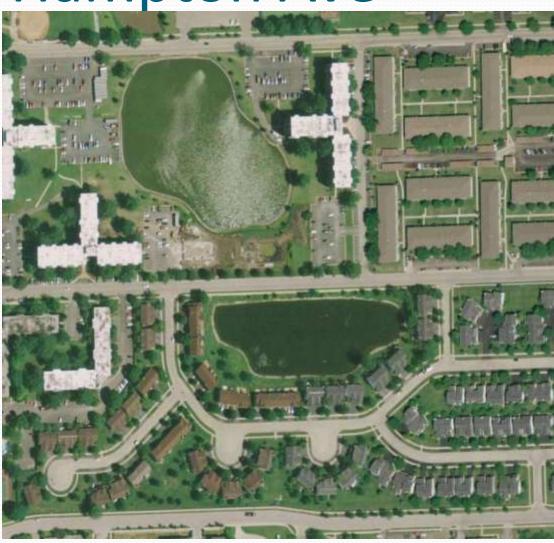


- Install storm sewer along Warwick
- Will require coordination with DuPage DOT

W 56th PI



 Install rear year drainage system Hampton Ave



- Residential floodproofing
- Install under drain system with backflow preventer

Project Funding Sources

- FEMA grant monies
 - HMGP Program
 - Flood Mitigation Assistance
 - Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program
- State of Illinois
 - Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)
 - IEPA Section 319 Grants
- DuPage County Funding
 - Property Acquisition
 - Stormwater Project Funding
- Local Funding
 - Stormwater Utility

Additional Village Wide Recommendations

- Do not allow fee-in-lieu of detention where there are known problem areas downstream
- Consider adding a fee for all impervious area additions
- Add all overbank flooded houses to the DuPage County buyout list

Next Steps

- Map inundation areas on new 1' topography
- Prioritize proposed solutions with Village staff
- Finalize Opinions of Probable Cost
- Complete final report

Thank you

Questions or comments?